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Office of the Assistant Attorney General

Washington, D.C. 20530

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The Honorable Patrick Leahy
Chairman
Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

This responds to the question posed to the Attorney General by Senator Feinstein at the Committee's hearing on July 24, 2007, regarding the removal of United States Attorneys other than the nine who were asked to resign in 2006.

Over the past several months, the Department has provided extensive information in connection with the Committee's comprehensive oversight investigation into the process that led to the requested resignations of those nine individuals. We believe that information responsive to Senator Feinstein's question was provided to the Committee in the course of the staff's confidential, transcribed interviews of Department officials. We will confer with Committee staff to assure that the information is readily identified for your convenience.

We hope that this information is helpful. Please do not hesitate to contact this office if you would like additional assistance regarding this or any other matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian A. Benczkowski".

Brian A. Benczkowski

Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General

cc: The Honorable Arlen Specter
The Honorable Dianne Feinstein